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1904, art. 27, sec. 548. 1888, art. 27, sec. 389. 1860, art. 73, sec. 1. 1837, ch. 320, sec. 1. 1868, ch. 97. 1878, ch. 74.

623. The property and affairs of the penitentiary shall be managed by a board of six directors. The governor, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, shall biennially appoint two directors of the penitentiary, who shall hold office for six years and until their successors are appointed and qualify, and may be removed as hereinafter provided for.

As to escaping from the penitentiary, see section 121.

Ibid. sec. 549. 1888, art. 27, sec. 390. 1860, art. 73, sec. 2. 1837, ch. 320, sec. 1.

624. Upon the happening of any vacancy in the said board of directors, another person shall be appointed for the unexpired term of the former incumbent.

Ibid. sec. 550. 1888, art. 27, sec. 391. 1860, art. 73, sec. 3. 1823, ch. 206. 1836, ch. 300, sec. 4. 1837, ch. 320, sec. 2. 1868, ch. 97.

625. The directors of the penitentiary shall annually appoint at their regular stated meeting in the month of May a warden for the penitentiary, who shall serve for one year or until the stated meeting of the board of directors to be held in the month of May of the year succeeding his election, or in the contingency of the failure or omission of the board to make appointment at the time aforesaid to serve until his successor shall be chosen. He may be removed from office at any stated or special meeting of the board whenever in the judgment of the directors the public interest may require such removal, and in the event of the office becoming vacant by removal, death or resignation the directors shall make a new appointment for the unexpired term of the late incumbent.

Ibid. sec. 551. 1888, art. 27, sec. 392. 1860, art. 73, sec. 4. 1837, ch. 320, sec. 11.

626. Before entering upon the duties of their office the directors shall each take an oath that he will well and faithfully execute and perform the duties appertaining to his office according to the laws of this State and the rules and regulations adopted for the government of the penitentiary, and that he will not during his connection with said penitentiary sell to or buy from the said institution or its authorities, directly or indirectly, any article or thing whatever, and any director swearing falsely in the premises and being convicted thereof in due course of law shall suffer as in cases of wilful and corrupt perjury; and any director who shall act in his office before taking said oath shall upon conviction thereof in the criminal court of Baltimore forfeit and pay the sum of two hundred dollars to and for the use of the said penitentiary, to recovered in the name of the State.